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The steamship *Limari* arrived here on April 1, ten days out from Valparaiso, having had 30 new men, who were shipped in that port, vaccinated on leaving. I examined the arms of these men, and there was not a single positive result. I do not believe that they were all immune. So many reports have reached me concerning the inefficiency of vaccination as practiced in Chile that in the light of a continued increase in the number of cases of smallpox, and an occurrence such as I have noted on the *Limari*, I am led to believe that there may be some truth in these reports.

Bills of health from Iquique dated April 4 bear the following indorsement: "No infectious disease declared at this port, but cases of suspected infectious disease are under observation." Private advices state that cases of plague continue to occur in Iquique. Bills of health from Arica dated April 5 give 8 cases of plague and 2 deaths during the two weeks immediately preceding.

Among the causes of death in Lima during the two weeks ended March 15 I note the following: Tuberculosis, 28; smallpox, 1; plague, 3; enteric fever, 4; estimated population, 120,000.

I am indebted to the health officer, Lima, for the official report of the number of cases of plague embodied in this report.

#### PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

#### *Report on lepers living in the various provinces of the islands.*

[From the report of board of health for month of March, 1905.]

| Province.                   | Race.    | Number of males. | Number of females. | Children. |    | Single. |     | Married. |     | Widowers. | Widows. | Total. |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|----|---------|-----|----------|-----|-----------|---------|--------|
|                             |          |                  |                    | M.        | F. | M.      | F.  | M.       | F.  |           |         |        |
| Abra.....                   | Filipino | 9                | 5                  | 1         | 4  | 3       | 4   | 2        |     |           |         | 14     |
| Albay.....                  | do       | 26               | 23                 | 3         | 4  | 15      | 13  | 6        | 3   | 2         | 3       | 49     |
| Ambos Camarines.....        | do       | 72               | 22                 | 6         | 1  | 37      | 10  | 23       | 9   | 6         | 2       | 94     |
| Antique.....                | do       | 69               | 48                 | 13        | 14 | 20      | 15  | 21       | 15  | 6         | 4       | 108    |
| Bataan.....                 | do       | 13               | 5                  | 1         | 9  | 1       | 3   | 1        |     | 1         | 2       | 18     |
| Batangas.....               | do       | 18               | 11                 | 1         | 14 | 4       | 3   | 3        |     | 1         | 4       | 29     |
| Benguet <sup>a</sup> .....  | do       | 32               | 11                 | 1         | 1  | 1       | 21  | 10       |     | 9         |         | 43     |
| Bohol.....                  | do       | 78               | 55                 | 5         | 3  | 34      | 39  | 35       | 12  | 4         | 1       | 133    |
| Bulacan.....                | do       | 24               | 13                 | 1         | 9  | 7       | 12  | 6        |     | 2         |         | 37     |
| Cagayan.....                | do       | 47               | 50                 | 1         | 23 | 16      | 19  | 21       | 4   |           | 13      | 97     |
| Capiz.....                  | do       | 37               | 14                 | 1         | 18 | 10      | 16  | 4        |     | 2         |         | 51     |
| Cavite.....                 | do       | 44               | 25                 | 1         | 29 | 17      | 11  | 4        |     | 4         | 3       | 69     |
| Cebu.....                   | do       | 672              | 374                |           |    |         |     |          |     |           |         | 1,046  |
| Ilocos Norte.....           | do       | 69               | 41                 |           | 25 | 24      | 36  | 12       |     | 8         | 8       | 113    |
| Ilocos Sur.....             | do       | 140              | 78                 | 13        | 2  | 65      | 44  | 46       | 18  | 16        | 14      | 218    |
| Iloilo.....                 | do       | 80               | 29                 | 4         | 1  | 44      | 13  | 26       | 8   | 6         | 7       | 109    |
| Isabela.....                | do       | 11               | 6                  |           | 3  |         | 7   | 3        |     | 1         | 3       | 17     |
| La Laguna.....              | do       | 16               | 7                  | 1         | 2  | 6       | 3   | 6        |     | 1         | 3       | 23     |
| Lepanto-Bontoc.....         | do       | 15               | 4                  | 1         | 5  | 1       | 8   |          |     | 1         | 3       | 19     |
| Leyte.....                  | do       | 50               | 41                 | 1         | 3  | 26      | 27  | 20       | 7   | 3         | 4       | 91     |
| Masbate.....                | do       | 13               | 11                 | 1         | 6  | 4       | 3   | 5        |     | 3         | 2       | 24     |
| Mindanao <sup>a</sup> ..... | Moro     | 143              | 77                 | 3         | 3  | 86      | 41  | 45       | 18  | 9         | 12      | 220    |
| Misamis.....                | Filipino | 26               | 10                 | 3         | 17 | 5       | 12  | 2        |     | 4         | 3       | 46     |
| Negros Occidental.....      | do       | 22               | 8                  | 2         | 2  | 9       | 6   | 10       |     | 1         |         | 30     |
| Negros Oriental.....        | do       | 67               | 53                 | 4         | 27 | 23      | 35  | 21       |     | 1         | 9       | 120    |
| Nueva Ecija.....            | do       | 38               | 15                 | 1         | 17 | 16      | 14  | 5        |     | 6         | 4       | 53     |
| Nueva Vizcaya.....          | do       | 2                | 4                  |           | 1  |         | 1   | 2        |     |           | 2       | 6      |
| Pampanga.....               | do       | 7                | 7                  |           | 3  | 5       | 3   | 2        |     | 1         |         | 14     |
| Pangasinan.....             | do       | 33               | 23                 | 1         | 10 | 4       | 19  | 14       |     | 4         | 4       | 53     |
| Rizal.....                  | do       | 47               | 20                 | 1         | 2  | 26      | 10  | 19       | 6   | 1         | 2       | 67     |
| Romblon.....                | do       | 4                | 10                 |           | 1  | 3       | 3   | 4        |     |           | 4       | 14     |
| Samar.....                  | do       | 143              | 115                | 1         | 43 | 50      | 74  | 43       |     | 26        | 21      | 258    |
| San Lazaro.....             | do       | 131              | 90                 | 23        | 11 | 70      | 44  | 26       | 19  | 12        | 16      | 221    |
| Sorsogon.....               | do       | 83               | 34                 | 1         | 41 | 18      | 38  | 6        |     | 4         | 9       | 117    |
| Surigao <sup>a</sup> .....  | do       |                  | 1                  |           |    |         |     |          |     |           | 1       | 1      |
| Tarlac.....                 | do       | 15               | 7                  | 1         | 2  | 4       | 11  | 2        |     | 1         | 1       | 22     |
| Tayabas.....                | do       | 15               | 5                  |           | 2  | 3       | 11  | 1        |     | 2         | 1       | 20     |
| Union.....                  | do       | 30               | 14                 |           | 10 | 10      | 17  | 4        |     | 3         |         | 44     |
| Zambales <sup>a</sup> ..... | do       | 60               | 35                 | 2         | 30 | 15      | 24  | 15       |     | 4         | 5       | 95     |
| Total.....                  |          | 2,402            | 1,404              | 93        | 54 | 788     | 501 | 688      | 307 | 161       | 168     | 3,806  |

<sup>a</sup> Revised reports not received.